

ABSTRACT OF THE DIS~~U~~SURE

The invention relates to novel N-heterocyclic carboxylic acids and carboxylic acid isosteres, their preparation and use for treating neurological disorders including physically damaged nerves and neurodegenerative diseases, for treating alopecia and promoting hair growth, for treating vision disorders and/or improving vision, and for treating memory impairment and/or enhancing memory performance by administering such compounds.